# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# FINANCE
# LOK SABHA

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WORLD BANK LOAN FOR INFRASTRUCTURE IN ORISSA
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**Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government have recently approached the World Bank for more funds for infrastructural development in Orissa, particularly in the coastal districts of the State which were severely affected by super cyclone;

(b) If so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government so far in this regard?

## Answer

The Minister of State in the Ministry of Finance (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL)

(a), (b) & (c): The Government of India has posed the proposal to the World Bank seeking its assistance for Orissa Cyclone Mitigation and Reconstruction Project. The project is proposed to be financed by an amendment to the World Bank assisted Orissa Water Resources Consolidation Project for an amount of US$ 46.00 million.Technical discussions for the proposed amendments were held on June 7, 2000 between the Government of India and the World Bank.

The Orissa State Highway Project is currently under preparation with the World Bank assistance under the Technical Assistance Project Loan No.4114-IN.

However, at present, there is no commitment by the World Bank for funding of the above mentioned projects.